

like to ask Senator Nelson a question.

PRESIDENT: Senator Nelson is available.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Senator Nelson, in your district, do you know how many men or women receive ADC?

SENATOR NELSON: Boy, I'm sorry. I just cannot tell you. The ones that called me I think are the ones that may be working at the hospital and the social workers. I have no idea. I want to say 2,041 but I'm not sure about that.

SENATOR HIGGINS: About 2,041 receive ADC.

SENATOR NELSON: I am not sure of that at all, Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: How many of those are not deserving or cheating on it?

SENATOR NELSON: Could I say from conservations and people about 10 percent? Ten percent, 10, 20 percent.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Sounds like an auction. Thank you, Senator Nelson. I think everybody knows that the largest number of ADC are in Douglas County and Lancaster County. I have yet to find anybody, any senator, that every year that this comes up and they know of someone who is cheating on ADC, they are cheating on unemployment, they are cheating on workmens comp, they are cheaters, all of them. And yet, every Senator that knows of them, in fact I even remember one very conservative senator when I was on Public Health and Welfare said, he knew about a couple of women cheating on ADC in his county. And, he is a lawmaker. He ought to know that that makes him an accessory to the fact if he doesn't report it. I asked him, did you report them? Well, no. Now the point is this. Didn't we just have a big investigation a few years ago, a couple years ago about cheaters, big-time cheaters, not cheaters on \$200 a month. I think we called those cheaters bid riggers, bid riggers. And what were they bid rigging on? The Department of Roads, who is one of the largest appropriations of all the agencies in government, and what did those cheaters get? Oh, excuse me, I meant bid riggers. Those multimillion bid riggers got a fine that probably didn't equal 10 percent of what they...and I hate the word "cheated", because I didn't know